

Messrs. BATES and KINNEAR made the following remarks, and described a new race of Sandgrouse :—

Through the kindness of Mr. W. H. Ingrams, the British Museum was able to send a native collector to work under him in the Hadhramaut for five months. The collection consists of 266 specimens belonging to 38 species, one of which, a close-barred Sandgrouse, appears to be new.

***Pterocles lichtensteinii ingramsii*, subsp. nov.**

Male.—Differs from *P. l. lichtensteinii* on the upper side in the much lighter colour, owing to the reduction in width of the dark transverse bars to less than half that of the pale sandy portion of the feather. In typical birds the reverse is the case, which has the effect of making the whole bird appear darker. On the underside the bars are also reduced, but not to such an extent. The female is also much paler in colour from the same cause.

Distribution.—Only known from the Hadhramaut, east of Wadi Do'an (N.W. of Mokalla).

Type.—In the British Museum. Male adult, end of January 1937, Wadi Izhab, Hadhramaut, Arabia. Brit. Mus. Reg. no. 1937.6.5.1.

Measurements of Type.—Wing 182 mm.

Remarks.—Mr. Ingrams's collector obtained nine examples from Wadi Izhab, Tarib, and Al'Aibara, the wing-measurements of which are : five males, 178–192 ; four females, 174–180 mm. Colonel Boscawen in 1933 collected one at Wadi Sir. Mr. H. St. J. Philby brought back a female from Wadi Ansas, near Shabwa, farther to the north-west, and a male obtained on the same day, but farther west, is intermediate. A male shot by Colonel Boscawen at Wadi Dhurra, in Nisab area, west of the Wadi Do'an in April 1933 is typical, and a female he obtained in Socotra in March 1934 cannot be distinguished from Hadhramaut specimens.

Mr. PHILIP A. CLANCEY sent the following description of a new race of Wren from West Scotland :—

A series of winter and early spring Wrens from south-west Scotland—Ayrshire, Renfrewshire, and Lanarkshire—has,

after very careful comparison, proved to be distinct from any described race of Wren.

I propose, therefore, to name the new Wren

***Troglodytes troglodytes indigenus*, subsp. nov.**

Description.—Like *Troglodytes t. troglodytes*, but very much darker and richer brown on the upper parts, especially on the crown and nape; underparts as in *Troglodytes t. troglodytes*.

Distribution.—As known at present, south-west Scotland, but in all probability the greater part of the western Scottish mainland.

Type.—Adult female, Carmunnock, Lanarkshire, S.W. Scotland, April 24, 1937. In my collection.

Measurements of the Type.—Wing 47 mm.; culmen 14; tarsus 17; tail 30.

Remarks.—Three males from this region have wings of 51 mm., which is greater than that given by Hartert for the typical race.

My grateful thanks are due to Dr. James M. Harrison for his kind assistance.

MR. GREGORY M. MATHEWS sent the following description of a new Shearwater from Bunbury, Geographe Bay, South-western Australia :—

***Puffinus leptorhynchus*, sp. nov.** The Slender-billed Shearwater.

Description.—Entire upper surface blackish-brown, including the upper wing-coverts; entire under surface white, including the under tail-coverts; the dark feathers encroach on to the cheeks below the lower mandible; primaries and tail-feathers blackish-brown; under-wing lining greyish-white, most of the feathers with dark shafts, recalling the same feathers in *Puffinus griseus*, a wide band of dark feathers running round the wing and surrounding the white; bill dark blackish-horn colour, darkest at the tips of both mandibles and lighter towards the base, especially of the lower mandible, where it becomes flesh colour; outer toe and part of the outside of